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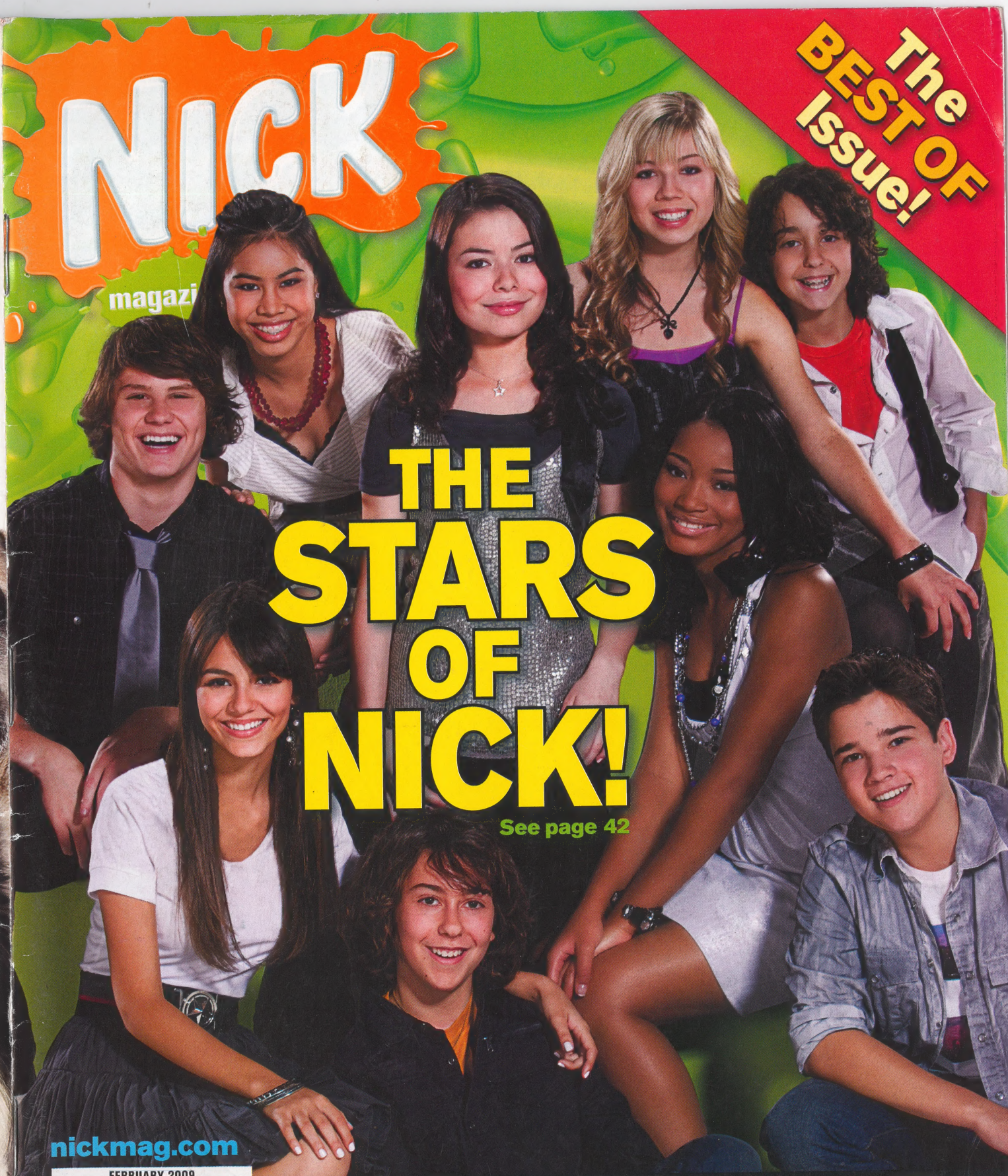
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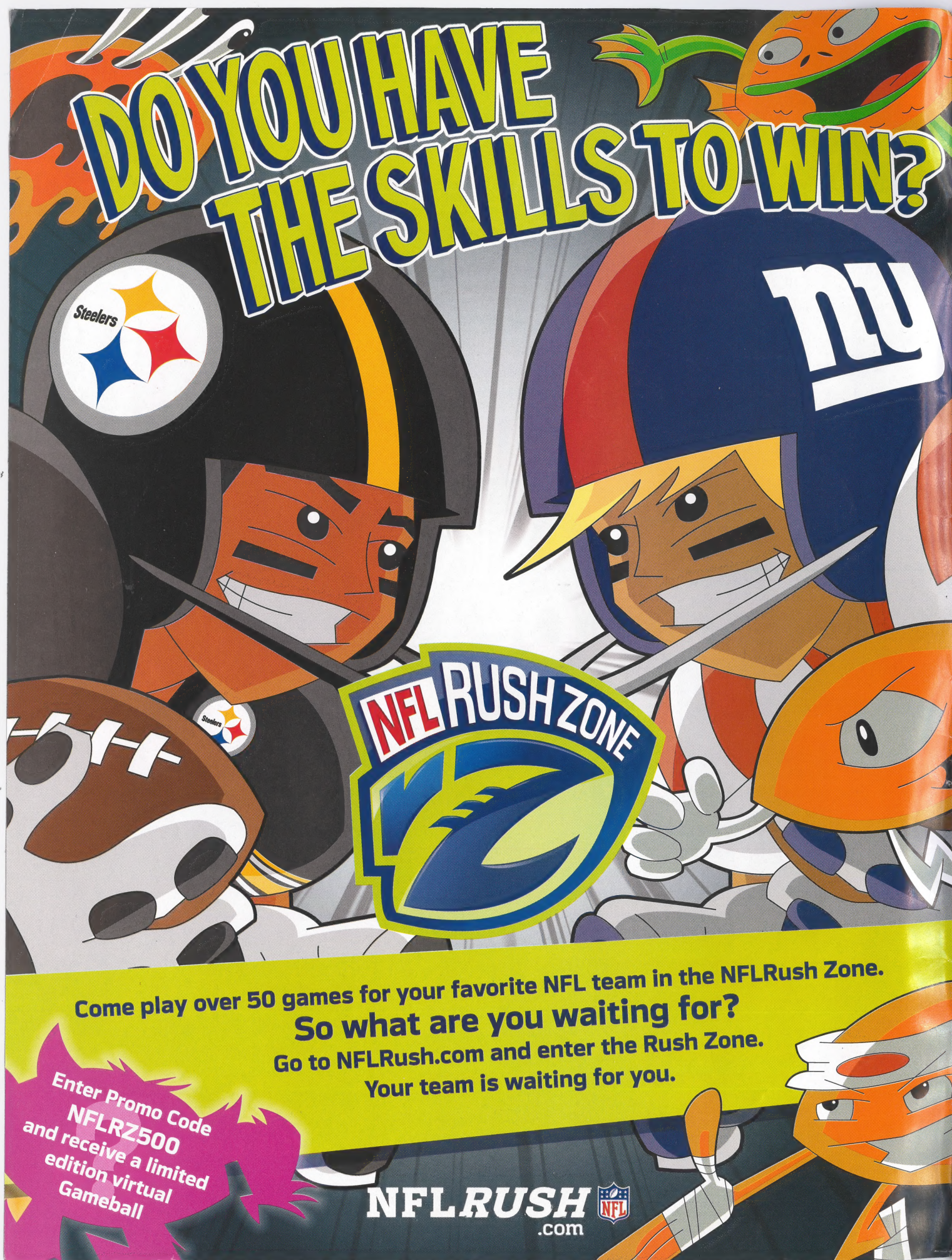
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- 2 This is Zelda Van Gutters, Nick Mag's roving reporter. This issue may be the Best of Nick Mag, but she is the *beast* of Nick Mag.
- 3 Check out our page numbers. It's a good thing I saved the ribbons from all the times I won Best in Show.



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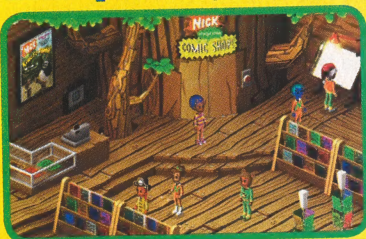
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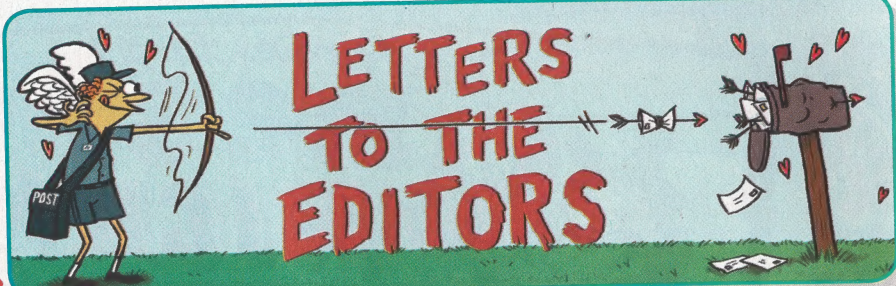
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Real



Dear Nick Mag,

I'm a faithful reader of your magazine, but I always ask myself, why does Nick Mag use Zelda, and where did she come from? Could you guys help me out?

John M., age 12
Potsdam, New York

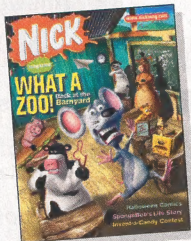
I come from dog people.



Dear John,

Zelda brightens up our pages and dampens the carpets in our office. She originally comes from Oklahoma but found a home (and a couple of fire hydrants) in New York City.

About the October 2008 issue



Dear Nick Mag,

In the October calendar, you said that Edward L. Stratemeyer was the author of the *Nancy Drew* books, but in fact, it was

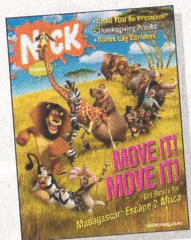
Carolyn Keene who wrote them.

Emma A.
via e-mail

Dear Emma,

Actually, many people wrote the *Nancy Drew* books. The series was created by Edward L. Stratemeyer, who wrote outlines that other authors followed. Carolyn Keene is simply the made-up pen name that they all used.

About the November 2008 issue



Dear Nick Mag,

I was looking at your November calendar, and I asked my mom when Election Day was so I could find

it on your calendar. We couldn't find it anywhere! How could you not have such an important day? Isn't Election Day more important than some Diddy guy's birthday? You even called this your Election Issue! How come you left it out?

Logan W., age 9
Sacramento, California

Dear Logan,

You are 100 percent right. We really *should* have mentioned that November 4, 2008, was Election Day. You get our vote for being an astute Nick Mag reader.

Dear Nick Mag,

"Not Heard on the Campaign Trail" made me laugh so hard! I like to follow politics, and that just made my day after all the seriousness. Great issue! It was just classic Nick Mag.

Amanda K., age 14
Corning, New York

Dear Amanda,

Hopefully in 2012, politicians will take our speech balloons on the campaign trail with them.

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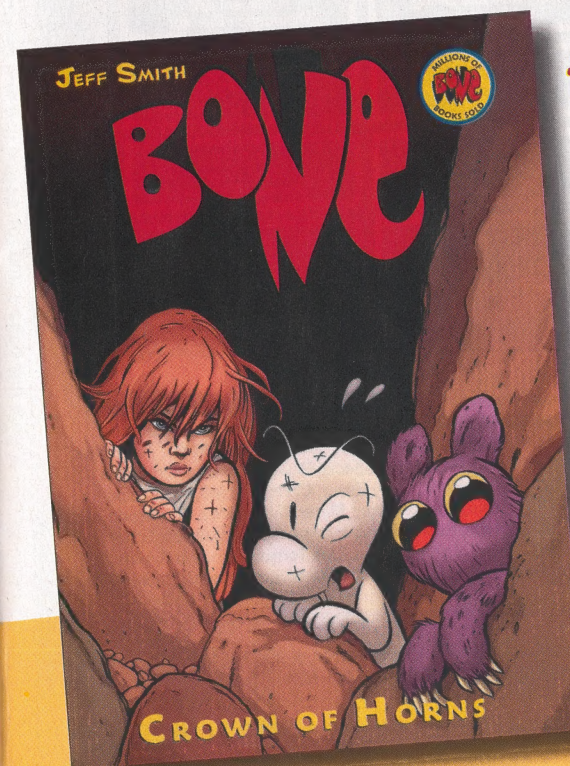
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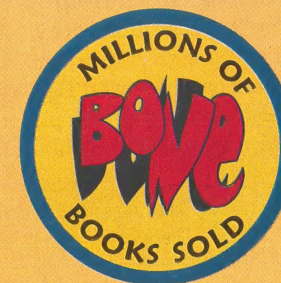
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WHAT'S NEW ON NICKELODEON

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Wolverine and the X-Men

Friday, January 23, on Nicktoons Network

Wolverine leads the ultimate team of mutants in a brand-new series on Nicktoons Network. Tune in to the premiere to find out why the X-Men must reunite to save the world.

Go to nicktoonsonline.com/wolverine for trailers and more info about the show.



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Monday, January 19

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This is who works here.

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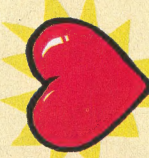
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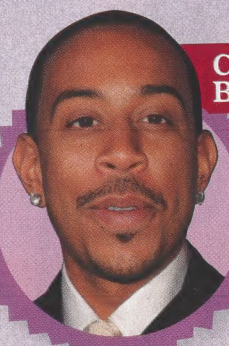
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 National Children's Dental Health Month begins Brace yourself.	2 GROUNDHOG DAY The first electric streetlight in the U.S. is installed in Wabash, Indiana, 1880 What a bright idea!	3 The world's first commercial cheese factory is established in Switzerland, 1815 Cheesy does it.	4 	5 FACETHE TOOTH#1 You see only about one third of a tooth sticking out of the gums. Two thirds of it is below the gums.	6 	7 Steve Nash, basketball player with the Phoenix Suns, born, 1974 His parents had a Sun.
8 The Boy Scouts of America is incorporated, 1910 Were they prepared for it?	9 	10 Emma Roberts, actress, born, 1991 fabulous!	11 Jennifer Aniston, actress, born, 1969 She wasn't born in February?	12 	13 FACETHE TOOTH#2 The average American spends about 38 1/2 days of his or her life brushing his or her teeth.	14 Valentine's Day Will you be our Valentine? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
15 Henry Engelhard Steinway, piano manufacturer, born, 1797 Was he a baby grand?	16 PRESIDENTS' DAY FACETHE TOOTH#3 Americans buy about 14 million gallons of toothpaste each year.	17 The opera <i>Madame Butterfly</i> premieres, 1904 It fluttered in today.	18 	19 Will Keith Kellogg establishes the Battle Creek Toasted Corn Flake Company, 1906 He was no flake.	20 	21 Corbin Bleu, actor, born, 1989 Did his mother dress him in Bleu?
22 	23 Dakota Fanning, actress, born, 1994 Fanning has many fans.	24 FACETHE TOOTH#4 Teeth are covered with enamel, the hardest substance in the human body.	25 James and Oliver Phelps, the actors who play the Weasley twins in the <i>Harry Potter</i> movies, born, 1986 They're wiz kids.	26 	27 FACETHE TOOTH#5 The first toothbrushes had bristles made out of cow hair.	28 International Sword Swallowers Awareness Day Talk about a sore throat!

Real



The celeb page

We asked these celebs to name their first crush.



Chris "Ludacris" Bridges, actor and rapper

Penny [played by Janet Jackson] from *Good Times*.

Real

Vanessa Hudgens, actress and singer

Jonathan Taylor Thomas of [1990s sitcom] *Home Improvement*.

A.J. Michalka, singer

My first crush was a cute little blond kid who looked like [singer] Aaron Carter.



Anne Hathaway, actress

Leonardo DiCaprio!



Samuel L. Jackson, actor

A little girl up the street from me named Valerie. She was very cute and she could play baseball very well.



Which Is Wax?

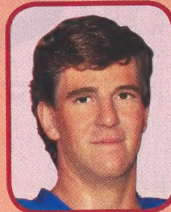
Can you tell which of the celebs pictured at right are the real deal and which are wax replicas? Circle the celebs you think are made from wax. Answers on page 47.



Cameron Diaz



Beyoncé



Eli Manning



Oprah

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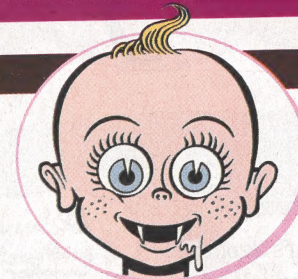
A front porch light is not scary, but a flickering
front porch light sure is. Here are some
other ways to take seemingly harmless things
and make them seriously sinister.

NOT SCARY

SCARY



A baby

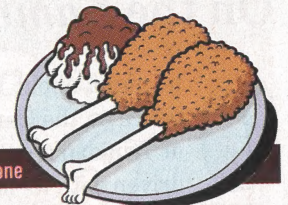


A baby with fangs

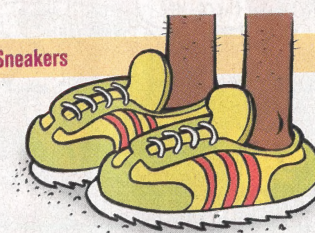


A drumstick

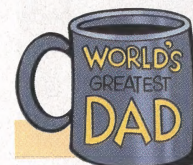
A drumstick with a little foot-like bone



Sneakers



Sneakers with cow tongues



Your father's mug

A werewolf drinking out of your father's mug



Not scary if your
father is a werewolf.



A department store
Santa Claus

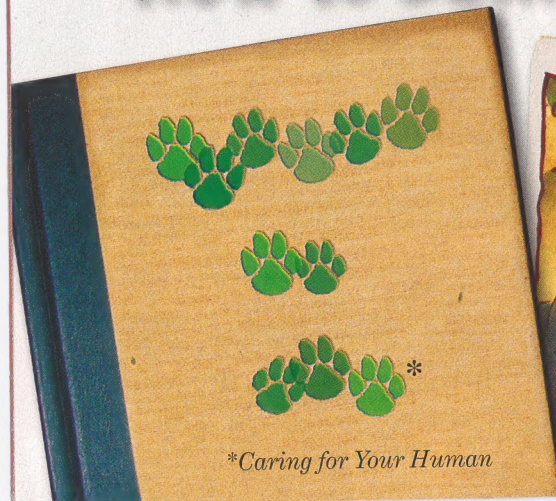


A hook-handed depart-
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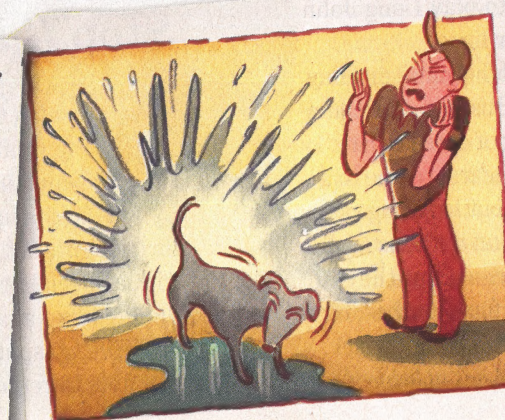
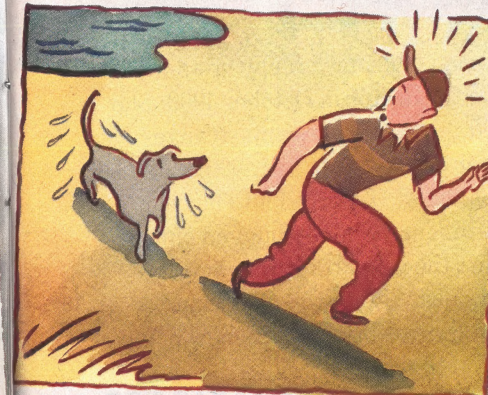
How to Bathe a Human

A Nick Mag editor recently discovered a
The pages below are from a chapter on

manual for dogs about how to care for their owners.
how to bathe your human.



*Caring for Your Human



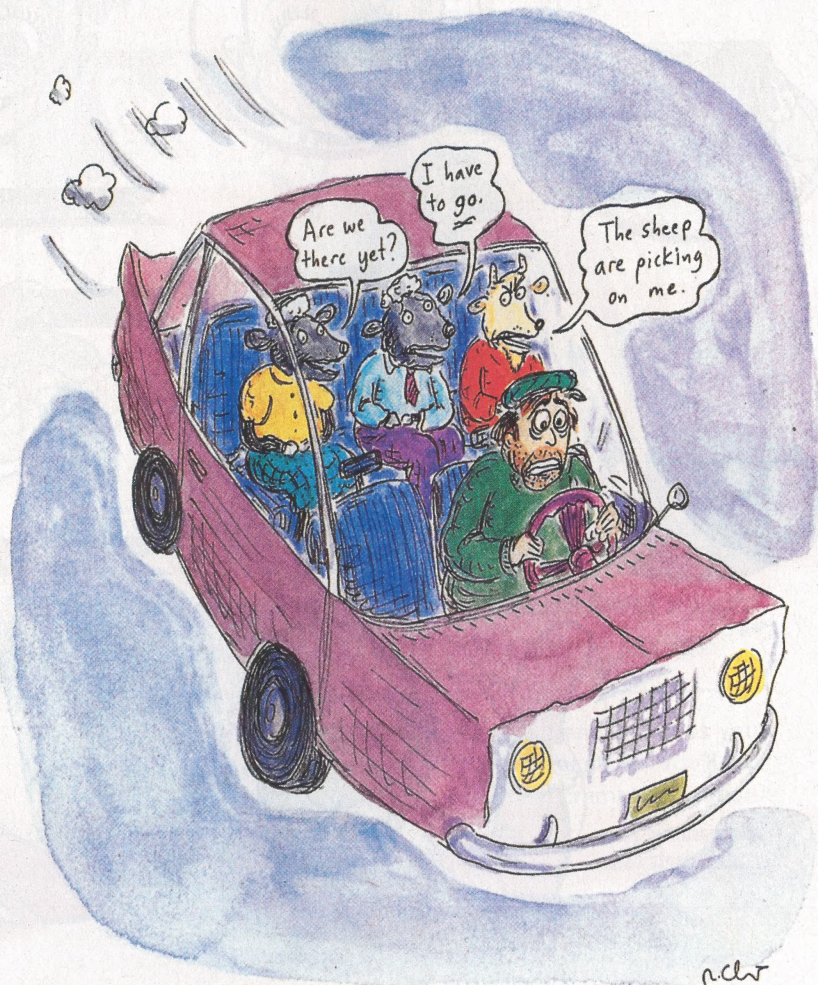
*They never like it, but it must be done!

Really Twisted Tails

On the Lamb

One night, about 10 years ago, the police on the Caribbean island of Trinidad spotted a car being driven with its headlights off—and a chase was on. The cops were closing in when the runaway driver pulled over and escaped on foot, leaving behind two well-dressed passengers in the backseat: a sheep wearing a dress and a goat in a hat, shirt, and pants. Cops found two more dressed-up goats sitting pretty in the trunk.

It turned out that the driver had stolen the animals from a local farmer. The thief had disguised the creatures as people so they wouldn't attract attention riding in the car. Thanks to the police, the farmer and his fashion-conscious livestock were happily reunited.



A Fowl Actor

Percy, a talking parrot, got his big break one November when he was cast in the children's play *Pirates of Treasure Island* in Dorset, England. The bird was hired to play Long John Silver's parrot, and he even had a few lines.

Rehearsals for the show went smoothly, until one day Percy decided to rewrite his dialogue. Instead of exclaiming "Pieces of eight!" he let fly a string of curses that made his human costars blush. The rehearsal came to a screeching halt—then everyone burst out laughing.

The producers were relieved that an audience full of children wasn't there for Percy's scene, but they didn't want to take any chances. The foulmouthed bird was fired, and the producers had to search for another parrot star.

Stop Bugging Me

A British woman got some creepy news when she went to the doctor in October 1999. She complained that headaches and strange noises in her ear had kept her awake for three nights. When the M.D. peered into her ear with a special instrument, he really bugged out: Snuggled up against the woman's eardrum was a large, leggy spider. Fortunately, the physician was able to remove the live bug from its new home.

Wood You Marry Me?

In 1991, scientists set up 100 wooden albatrosses on some islands in southeastern Japan. They hoped the decoys would attract real albatrosses to the area, where the endangered birds could safely live and mate. The experiment worked really well for the animals, except for one five-year-old male nicknamed Deko. For two years, Deko tried to attract the attention of one of the wooden decoys. He defended her in battle, built her fancy nests, and spent days standing near her, waiting for her to notice him. Now that's devotion!

He should have found another gull.

Real

Here are some wild stories from the wild kingdom.



Ocelot to Be Desired

The ocelot, a wild cat native to the southern U.S. and Latin America, is an endangered species. Since there are so few of them left in nature, ocelots often can't find other ocelots to mate with. So, 10 years ago, researchers at the Dallas Zoo started looking for scents they could put on the Texas range to help attract the cats to one location.

To figure out what smells ocelots like, the scientists worked with ocelots that live at the zoo. Researchers started off, naturally, with ocelot scent. Surprisingly, that didn't get the cats' attention. Then the scientists tried rat feces. Unsurprisingly, the rodent poop didn't drive the cats into one another's arms, either. Then, on a whim, a researcher squirted a spot on the floor with the cologne Calvin Klein Obsession for Men. The ocelots went wild! The animals rolled around on the spot and rubbed the fragrance into themselves.

Researchers have since used the scent in the wild to lure animals for tagging and observation. However, Calvin Klein has no plans to rename his cologne Obsession for Men and Ocelots. □



"Hi there, folks. This is Captain _____ worth from the cockpit. Looks like we're number _____ in line for takeoff, so we should be airborne by next _____. The weather in _____ is looking pretty _____, although you probably don't care since we're going to _____ today. Our _____ flight attendants will be _____ through the cabin in a little while to take your _____ and _____ orders. But for now, just sit back, _____, and enjoy the _____. We'll check back with you a little later with an update on my _____."

plural noun
large number
city
adjective
another city
adjective
—ing verb
noun
liquid
verb
noun
body part

Is there a movie on board this fill-in?



(A little later.)

"Hi there, folks. We've reached our cruising altitude of _____ foot/feet, so it's safe to turn on any electronic _____. And feel free to get up and _____ about the cabin or stick your _____ out the window to see if you can touch the ground. We do ask that when you're seated, you keep your _____ fastened and your _____ in the full upright position, in case we run into some turbulence or _____."

small number
plural noun
verb
body part
noun
body part
plural vegetable

(A minute later.)

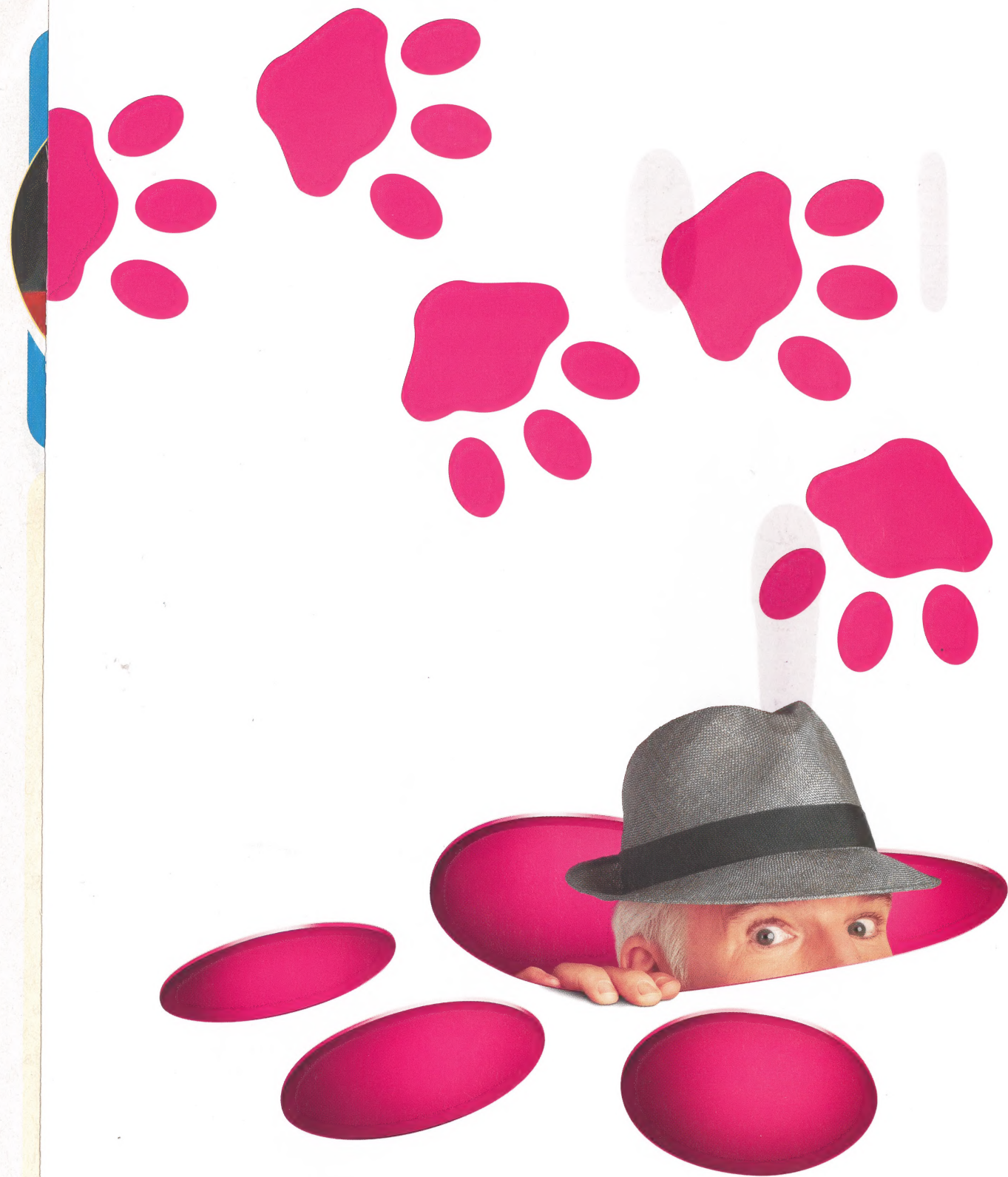
"Hi there, folks. Well, we're all set to land, but the ground crew says that they don't like the _____ smell of our aircraft. So we're going to _____ around up here for a while. We sure appreciate your _____ with us today, and hope to _____ you again soon!"

adjective
verb
—ing verb
verb



Remove the decoder and become an inspector. Follow the clues hidden under the paw prints... Try to guess where they lead!





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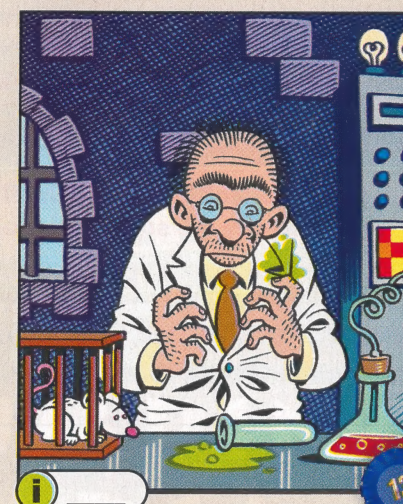
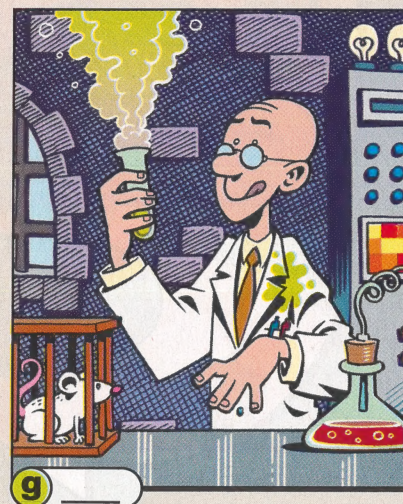
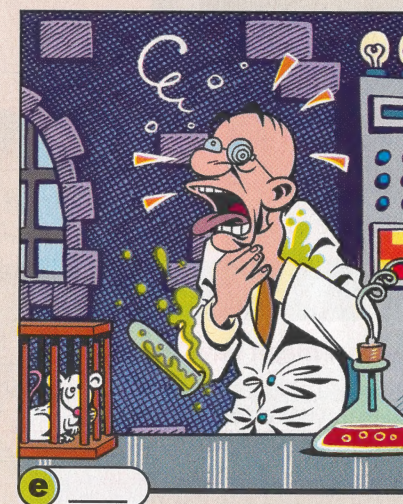
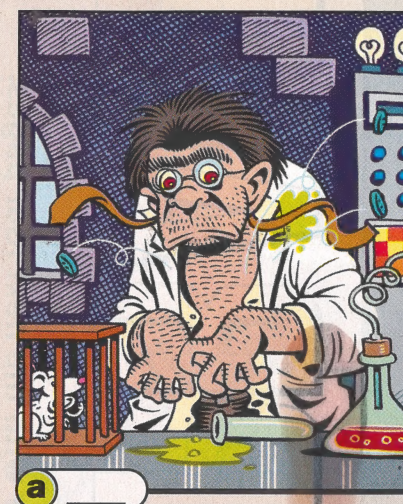
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A SINISTER SEQUENCE

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Answer on page 47.

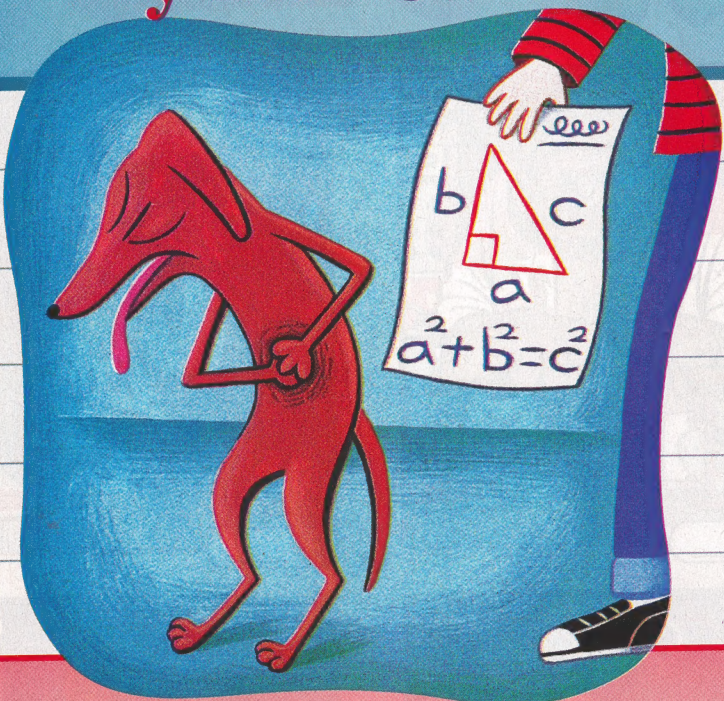


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My Dog **DIDN'T** Eat My Homework!



Sometimes when you wish your dog would eat your homework, it just doesn't happen. Here are some of the excuses your pup might have if he or she could talk:

Geometry problems give me heartburn.

If you had actually done your homework, I might have eaten it.

History essays don't turn into gravy when you add water.

Sorry, I've already eaten too much of the neighbor's garbage.

I'm on a diet, and homework has way too many calories.

Thanks, but I already stuffed myself with your sister's homework.

I only eat A+ papers—and, frankly, this one's a B.

I want you to do well in school and get a good job so that you can buy me some real food one day.

Next time, don't put it in one of those cheesy plastic binders.

I only eat shoes.

I'm watching my paper weight.



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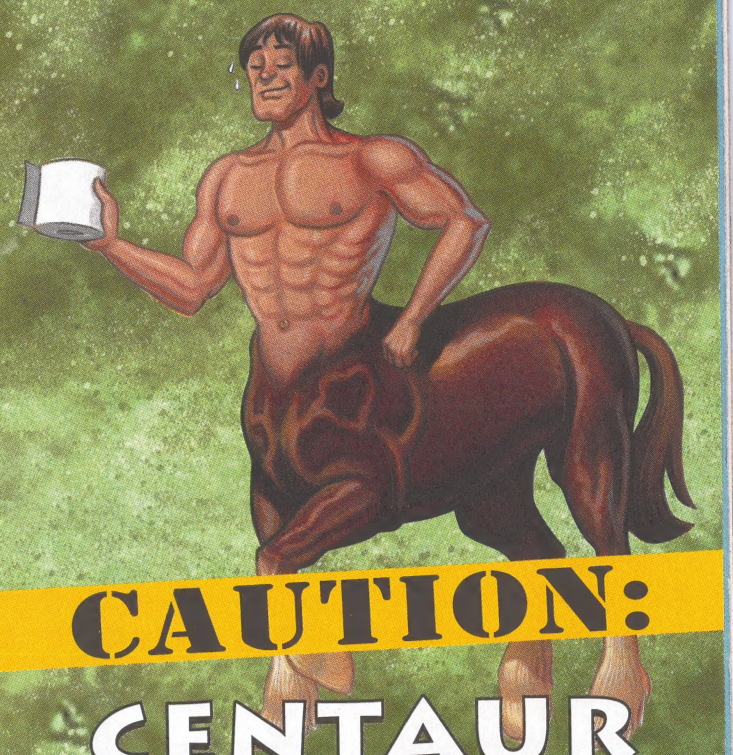
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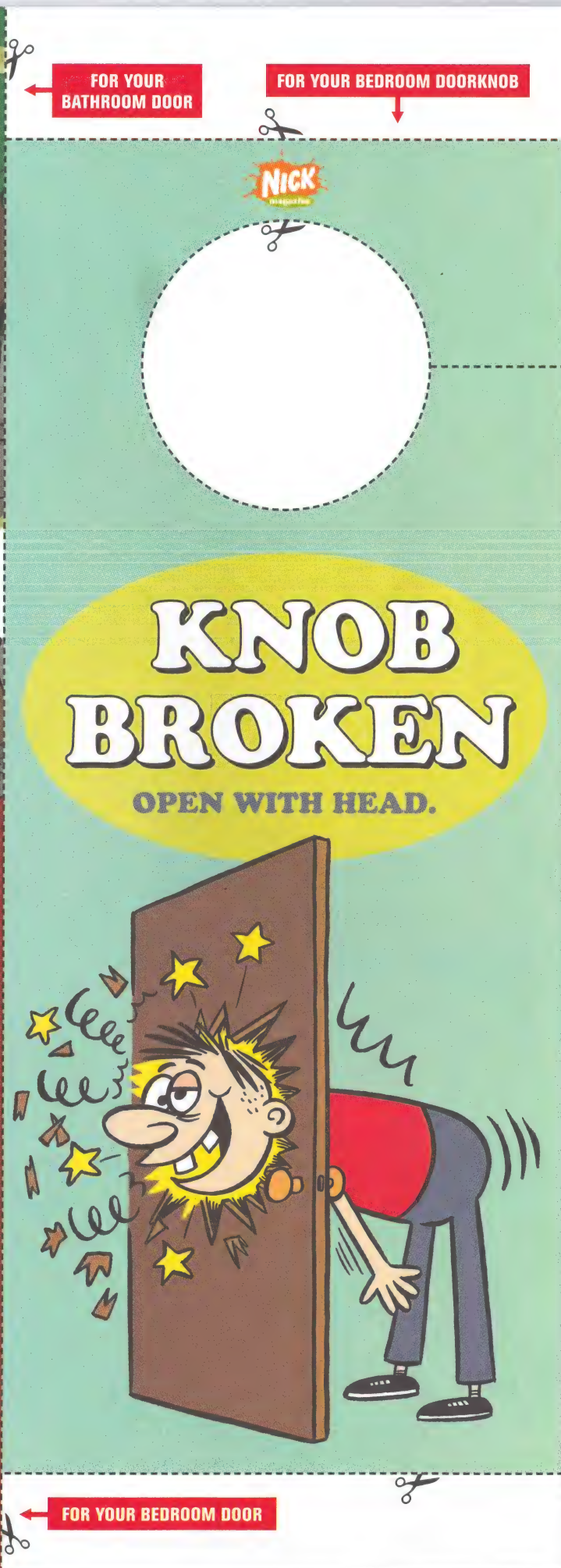
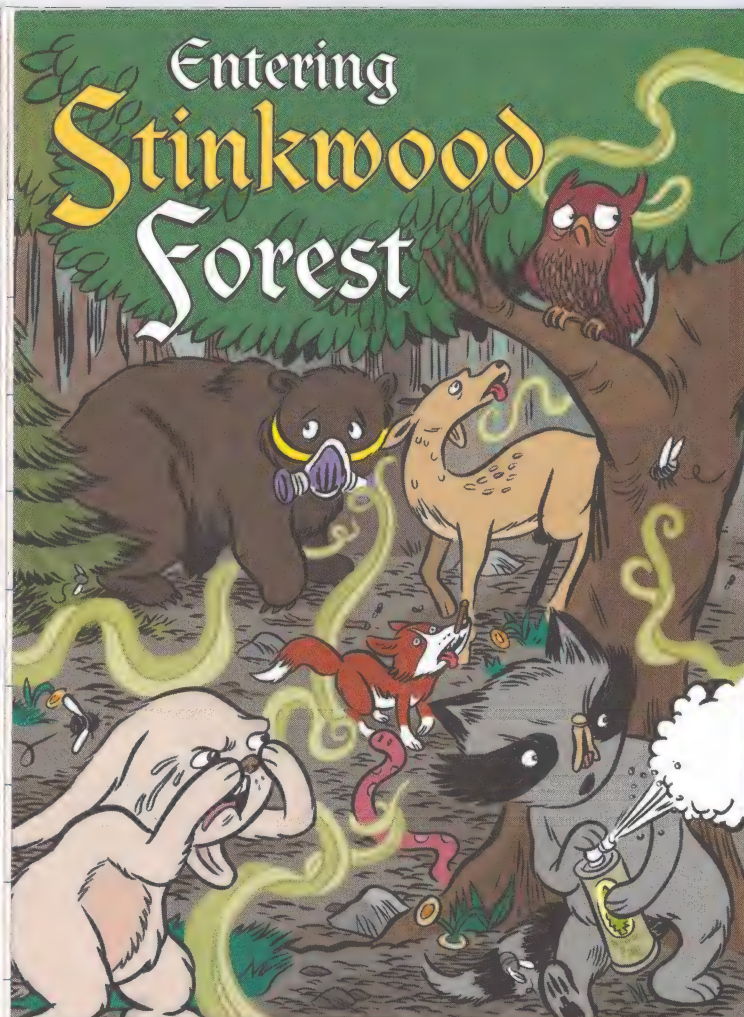
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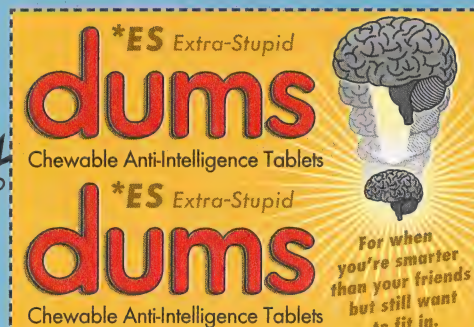
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But for some would-be thieves, the stupidity doesn't stop there.
Here are some examples of criminal mindlessness.

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Cincinnati, Ohio In 1997, a New Jersey man was in Ohio and decided to rob a bank. When the teller handed over the money, the robber asked her for directions to the interstate. She described how he could get there—and then told the police the directions she'd given the thief. The cops quickly nabbed the out-of-town crook, who was carefully following the teller's instructions.

THE EARLY BIRD
GETS ARRESTED

Santa Clarita, California In 1995, two eager bank robbers showed up at a bank wearing ski masks, but the door was locked. It was only 8:55 AM—the bank opened at 9:00—so the robbers decided to wait around for five minutes. Observant bank employees inside the building and passersby took one look at the two guys wearing ski masks in the warm southern California weather and called the police.

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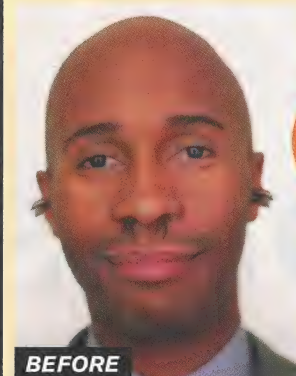
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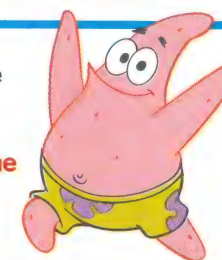
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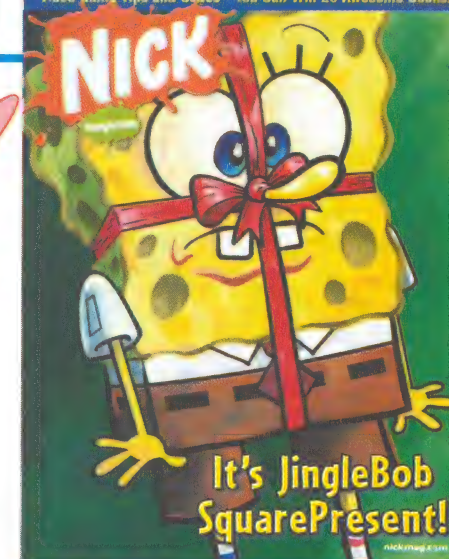
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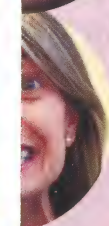


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THE FIRST PRANK

Archaeologists believe that the very first prank was pulled in ancient Egypt, on April 1, 2000 BC. As told in hieroglyphics found in Pharaoh Incredulous III's tomb (below), one Egyptian rings the bell of another Egyptian's home and then runs away. The prankee is obviously upset.



The world's second-oldest prank is believed to be the "Jack-in-the-Tomb" trick, which, to this day, startles archaeologists looking for mummies.



THE PARTHENON-FOR-SALE PRANK

The ancient Greeks were not known for their practical jokes, but they got a chance to yuk it up when the Parthenon (the temple built to honor the goddess Athena) was completed on April 1, 432 BC. Praxiteles, the official Practical Joker of Athens, put a FOR SALE sign in the front yard (above). Athena was not amused, however, and zapped the building into what it is today: an ancient ruin. This is the first-known example of someone not being able to take a joke.

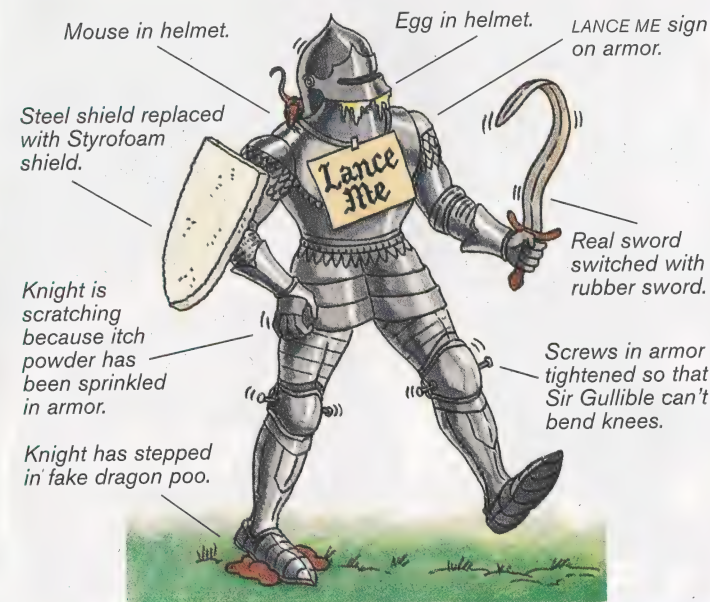


TUNNEL VISION

The Chinese perpetrated one of the greatest pranks of all time, using the 1,500-mile-long Great Wall of China. The wall was first constructed in the 3rd century BC to protect against invasion by Mongolian nomads from the north. Chinese artist Confuse Us added a special twist. She painted a fake tunnel entrance on the wall, which tricked the Mongolians into riding straight into solid brick. That knocked them off their horses—and out of the picture. In addition, the wily Confuse Us made quite a pretty penny at the tollbooth.

ARMORED ANTICS

In days of yore when knights were bold, but somewhat stupid, pages and squires often played tricks on their armored employers. Look at the details in this portrait of Sir Gullible of the Knights of the Pepper Gum Under the Round Table.



LAND HA!

Had King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella of Spain known that Christopher Columbus was such a kill-joy, they might have sent someone else to discover a quicker route to India in 1492. While the crews of the *Niña* and *Pinta* were busy pulling pranks (short-sheeting berths and toilet-papering the masts were common maritime practical jokes), the crew of the *Santa María* pulled a prank on Columbus himself. On the day he sighted land, the captain asked for his trusty telescope. What he got was the old black eye trick. Upset, he deprived the crew of shuffleboard privileges for a week.



Behind the Behinds: The Story of the Whoopee Cushion

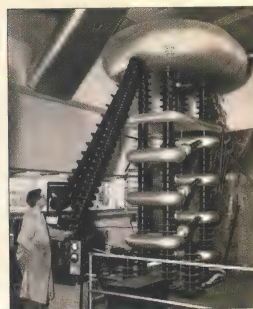


The first whoopee cushion was invented in the late 1800s. While a whoopee cushion might seem simple—you sit on it and it lets out a funny sound—there's a load of history behind each one.



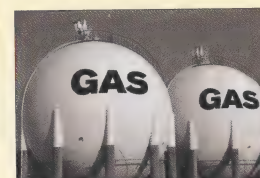
1 In 1876, inventor Dr. Alexander Graham Smell of New York (left) caught wind that Maximilian Flatulitis, a baked-bean farmer from Hoocutwon Creek, Colorado, could not stop emitting gas. For years, Flatulitis had been receiving noise and odor complaints from as far away as Rhode Island.

2 Using an intricate system of pipes and rubber tubing (right), Dr. Smell captured Flatulitis's wind for posterity. Dr. Smell devised an inflatable rubber pouch to contain the gas for home use and called it the whoopee cushion. In 1879, he founded Odorola Inc. to manufacture the cushions on a mass scale.

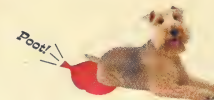


3 A 1,800-mile pipeline (left) was laid to pump the gas from Colorado to Dr. Smell's tanks in Gastoria, New York, where the odoriferous air is still stored today. Flatulitis produced over 900 bazillion cubic feet of gas in his lifetime, enough to power all the major cities of the world for 200,000 years.

4 The Gastoria tanks continue to supply modern-day whoopee cushions with their oomph—the technical term for the sudden release of energy when someone sits on the cushion.



5 The cushions are still woven by hand at a nearby plant and brought to the gas tanks to be filled. Sound engineers, whose task is to "sit down on the job," test the whoopee cushions for volume and accuracy (left). The Gastoria plant manufactures 30 million cushions a week, as worldwide demand for them continues to rise.



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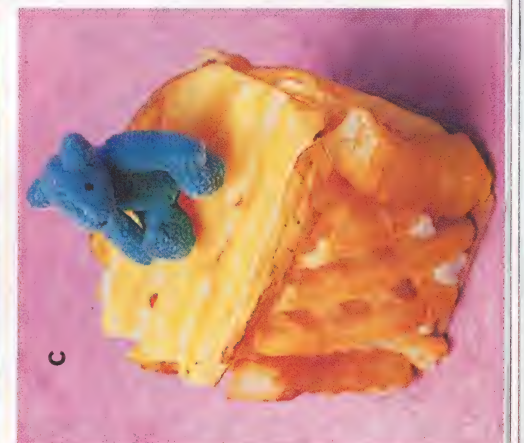
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D Matching Red Bliss nightstand with ruffled potato chip top. \$1/pound.



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D Gravy slipcover (not shown). \$3.99/ladleful.

D Tater Tots throw pillows. \$2/pair.

C Braided hash brown rug offers a touch of homespun warmth and old-fashioned cholesterol. \$1.50/pound.

B Matching Red Bliss coffee table topped with a slab of grilled Idaho. Available in raw or browned veneer. \$3/pound.

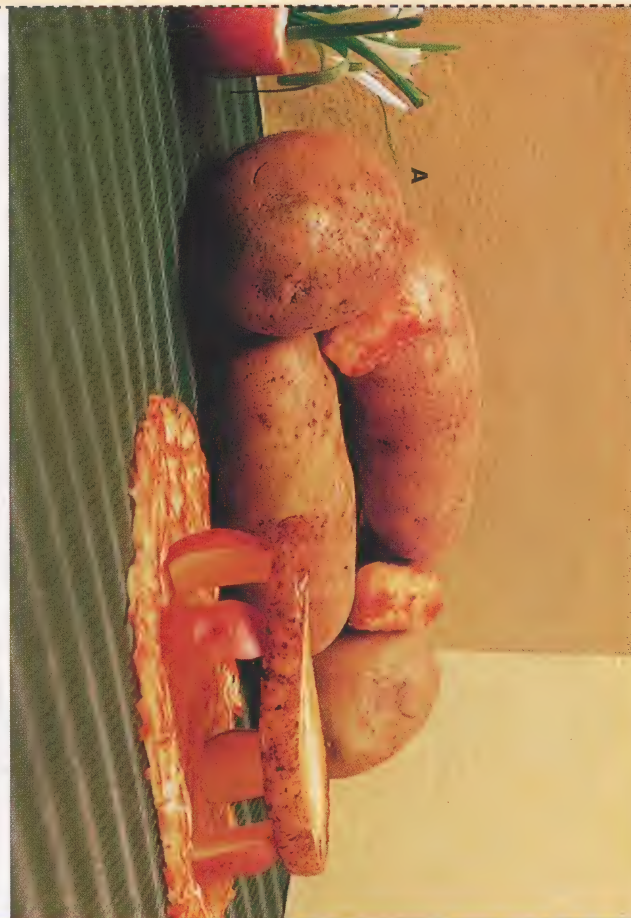
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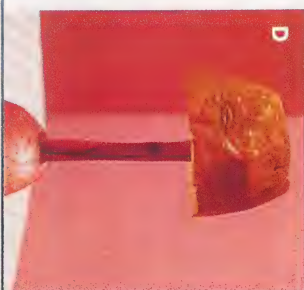
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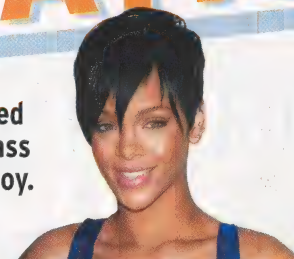
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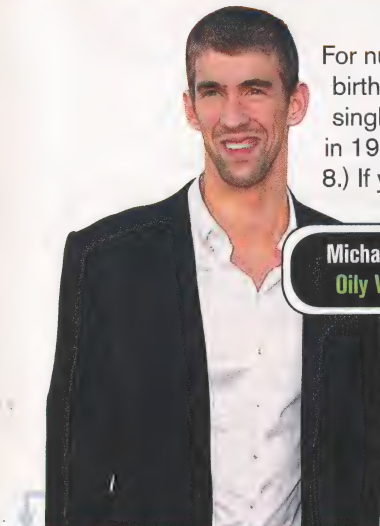
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Rihanna (2/20/88): Green Chicken-Flesh Attack

1 Write out your birthdate in numbers:

Month Day The last two numbers of your birth year



Michael Phelps (6/30/85): Oily Warrior in a Teacup

2

Choose the word from each column that matches the number representing your birthday.

MONTH	DAY	YEAR
1. Reheated	1. Eel	1. With a Beard
2. Green	2. Chicken-Flesh	2. of Zitsville
3. Oozing	3. Warrior	3. Bunnyz
4. Furry	4. Chainsaw	4. in a Teacup
5. Crusty	5. Salami	5. Burritos
6. Oily	6. Otter	6. Stubble
7. Frozen	7. Monster	7. Attack
8. Lovely	8. Zombie	8. Armpits
9. DJ Stickymuffinz and the	9. Butter	9. Gang

I'm in Reheated Eel Armpits.



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PART 1. GENERAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. NAME: _____ -BOY
or _____ -GIRL

2. AGE: _____ (in Earth years)

3. WHY DID YOU LEAVE YOUR PREVIOUS SIDEKICK JOB?
☐ Quit ☐ Fired ☐ Superhero decided to become evil
☐ Superhero killed, hasn't come back to life yet
☐ My side hurt from being kicked so much.

4. FOR HOW MANY EPISODES DID YOUR PREVIOUS JOB LAST?
☐ 1-2 ☐ 3-20 ☐ 21+
☐ Until comic book/cartoon series was canceled

5. YOU PREFER TO WORK: ☐ With a mask ☐ Unmasked

6. HOW DO YOU TRANSFORM YOUR APPEARANCE?
☐ Run into a phone booth ☐ Spin around really fast
☐ Duck behind a tree ☐ Put on makeup and a funny hat ☐ I always look like this.

7. PLEASE CHECK EACH AMAZING POWER THAT YOU CAN HARNESS:

- | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pancake flipping | <input type="checkbox"/> X-ray vision |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spandex stretching | <input type="checkbox"/> Time travel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Levitation | <input type="checkbox"/> Mind melding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Speed reading | <input type="checkbox"/> Ear wiggling |

8. PLEASE CHECK OTHER SPECIAL SKILLS YOU POSSESS:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Can jump into a car without opening door | <input type="checkbox"/> Not afraid of bugs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair stays neat, even while sinking into molten lava | <input type="checkbox"/> People person |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Narrowly escaping | <input type="checkbox"/> Can talk to fish |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Secret lair detection | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saving the world | |

9. DO YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH CLIFF-HANGERS?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ The amazing answer to that question will be revealed at a later date.

10. UNDER WHAT CONDITIONS IS IT ACCEPTABLE TO REVEAL MY SECRET IDENTITY?

- | |
|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Someone offers you five bucks. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> You're being mercilessly tickled by a supervillain. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> It is never, never, NEVER acceptable (unless a story needs a plot twist). |

11. ARE YOU WILLING TO:

- | |
|---|
| a. Help keep walls from closing in on me? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| b. Pretend you don't recognize me when I put on my glasses? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| c. Wash my tights? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Ew! |

PART 2. REFERENCES / RELEASE FORM

Please list two previous superhero employers whom I can contact for personal references or two villains who will say really bad things about you:

1. _____
2. _____

SIGN THE FOLLOWING RELEASE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS POWERFUL POSITION:

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Form A-SK/040-5

PART 1. GENERAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. NAME: _____ -BOY
or _____ -GIRL

2. AGE: _____ (in Earth years)

3. WHY DID YOU LEAVE YOUR PREVIOUS SIDEKICK JOB?
☐ Quit ☐ Fired ☐ Superhero decided to become evil
☐ Superhero killed, hasn't come back to life yet
☐ My side hurt from being kicked so much.

4. FOR HOW MANY EPISODES DID YOUR PREVIOUS JOB LAST?
☐ 1-2 ☐ 3-20 ☐ 21+
☐ Until comic book/cartoon series was canceled

5. YOU PREFER TO WORK: ☐ With a mask ☐ Unmasked

6. HOW DO YOU TRANSFORM YOUR APPEARANCE?
☐ Run into a phone booth ☐ Spin around really fast
☐ Duck behind a tree ☐ Put on makeup and a funny hat ☐ I always look like this.

7. PLEASE CHECK EACH AMAZING POWER THAT YOU CAN HARNESS:

- ☐ Pancake flipping ☐ X-ray vision
☐ Spandex stretching ☐ Time travel
☐ Levitation ☐ Mind melding
☐ Speed

8. PLEASE CHECK OTHER SPECIAL SKILLS YOU POSSESS:

- ☐ Can jump into a car without opening door
☐ Hair stays neat, even while sinking into molten lava
☐ Narrowly escaping ☐ Not afraid of bugs
☐ Secret lair detection ☐ People person
☐ Saving the world ☐ Can talk to fish

9. DO YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH CLIFF-HANGERS?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ The amazing answer to that question will be revealed at a later date.

10. UNDER WHAT CONDITIONS IS IT ACCEPTABLE TO REVEAL MY SECRET IDENTITY?

- ☐ Someone offers you five bucks.
☐ You're being mercilessly tickled by a supervillain.
☐ It is never, never, NEVER acceptable (unless a story needs a plot twist).

11. ARE YOU WILLING TO:

- a. Help keep walls from closing in on me?
☐ Yes ☐ No
b. Pretend you don't recognize me when I put on my glasses?
☐ Yes ☐ No
c. Wash my tights?
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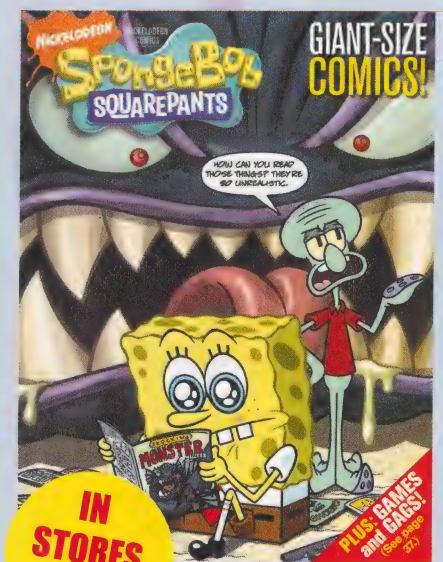
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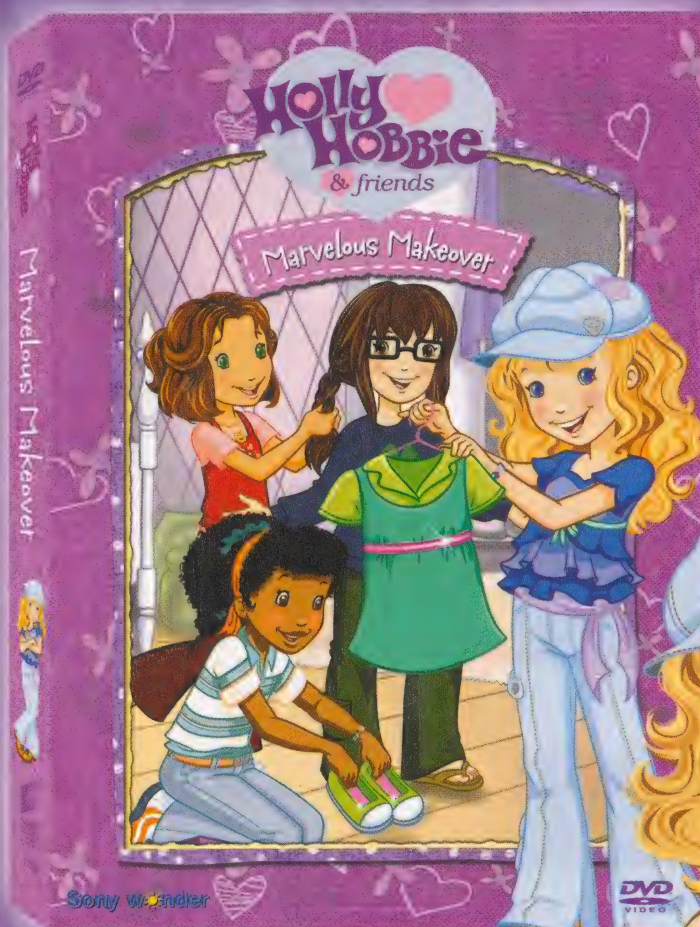
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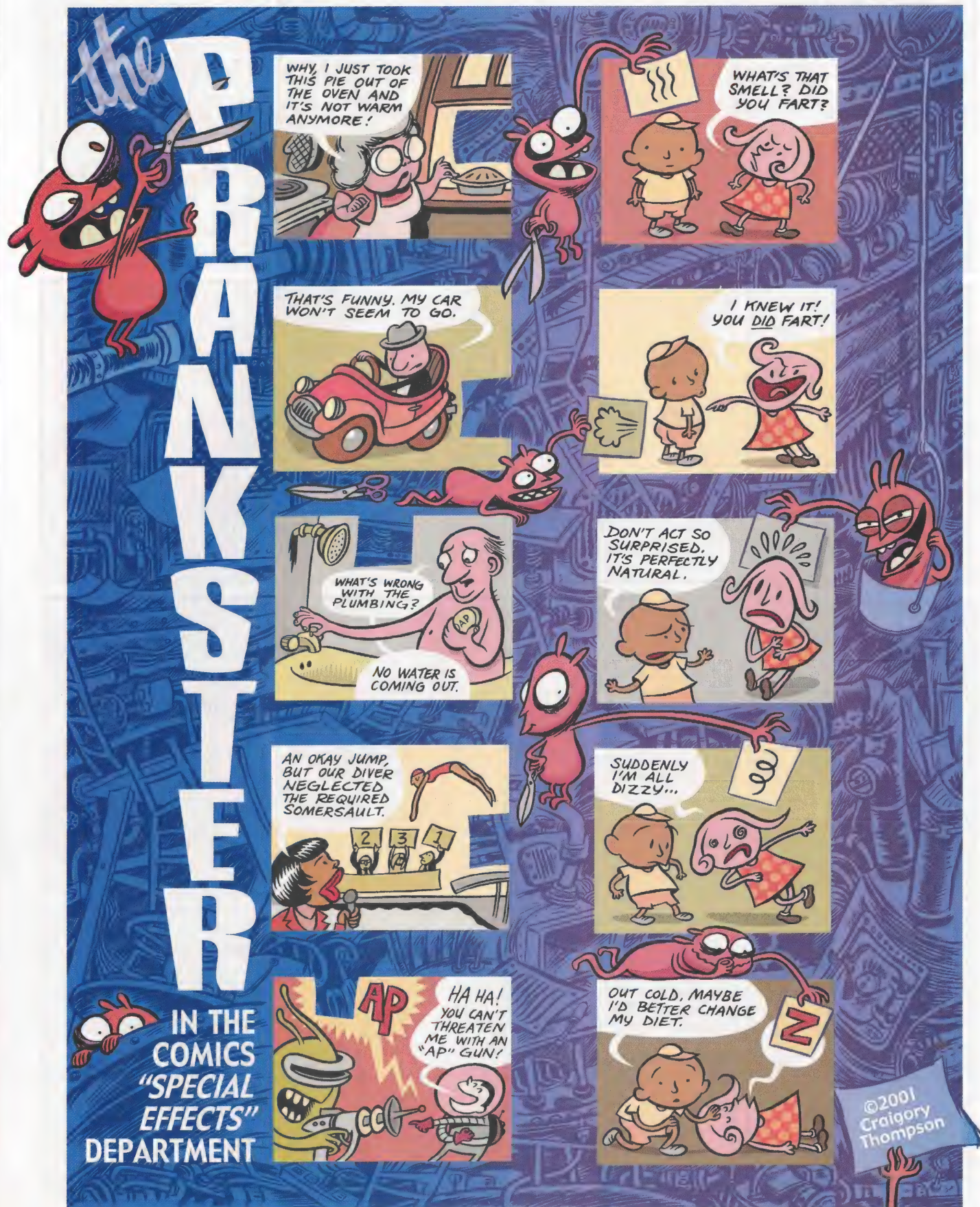


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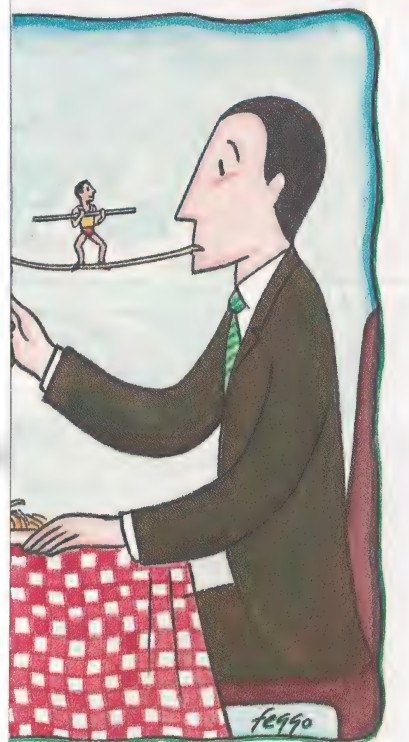
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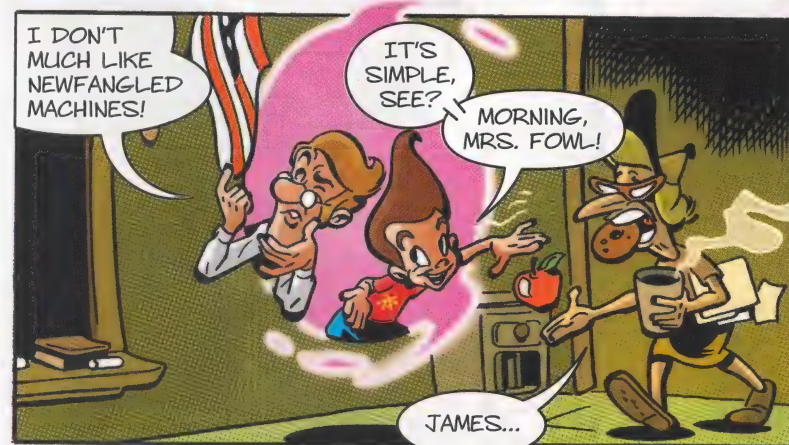
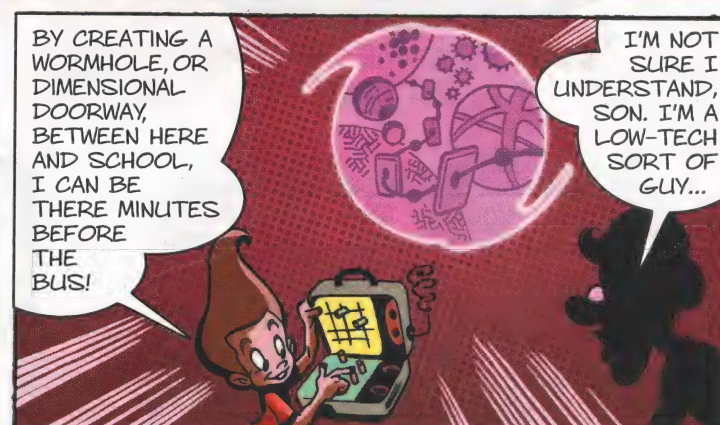
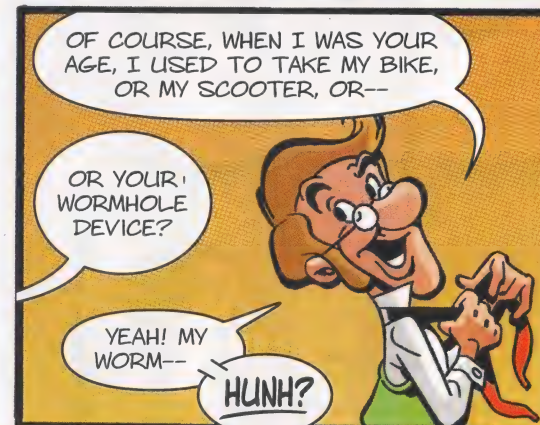
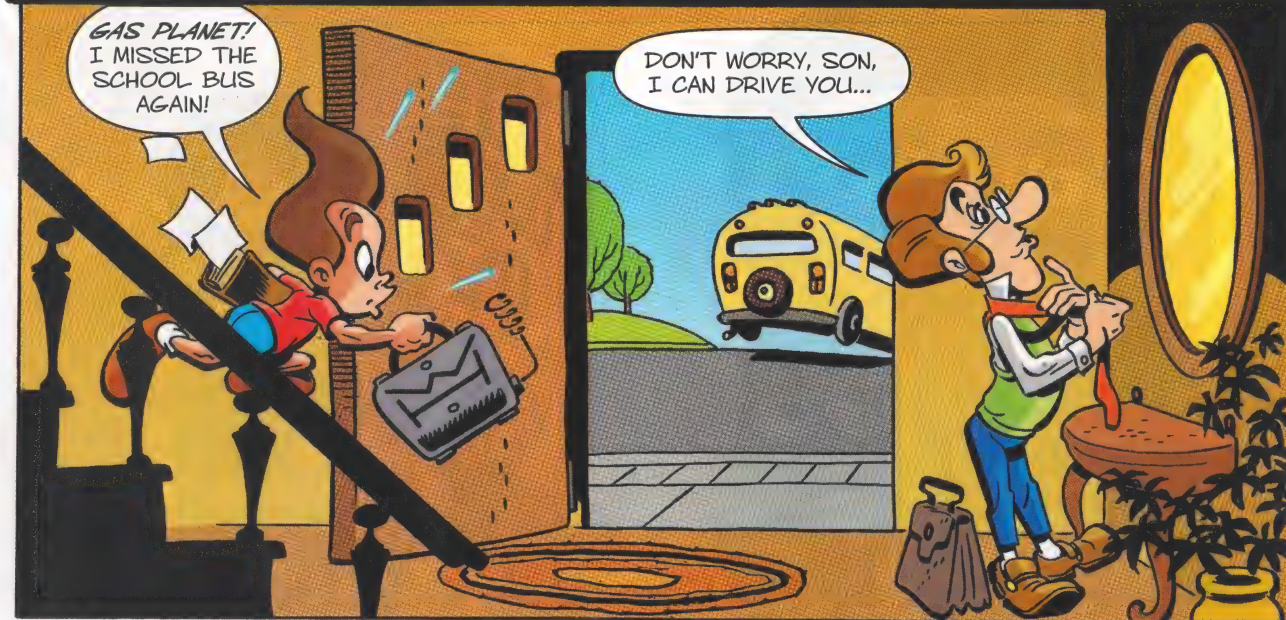
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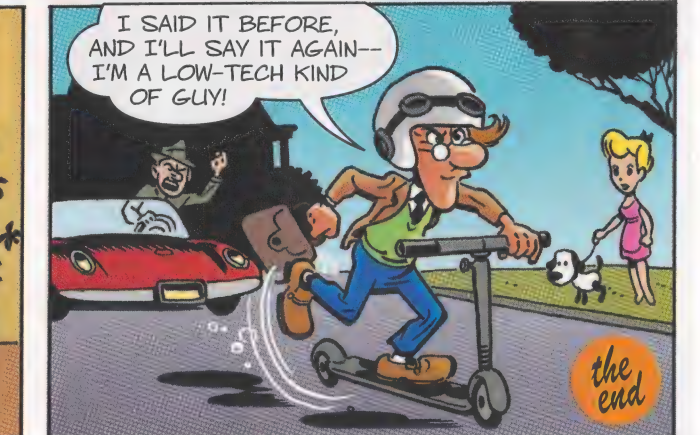
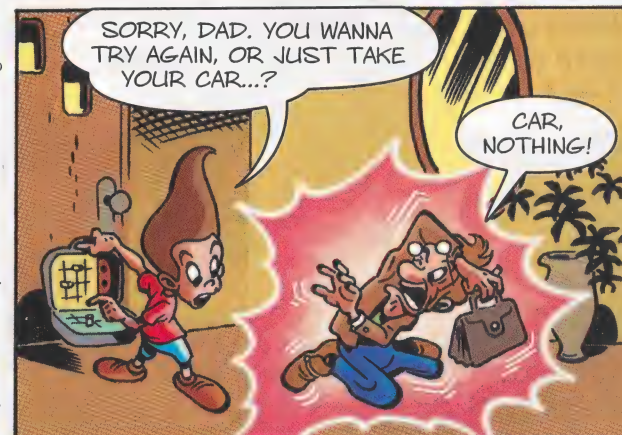
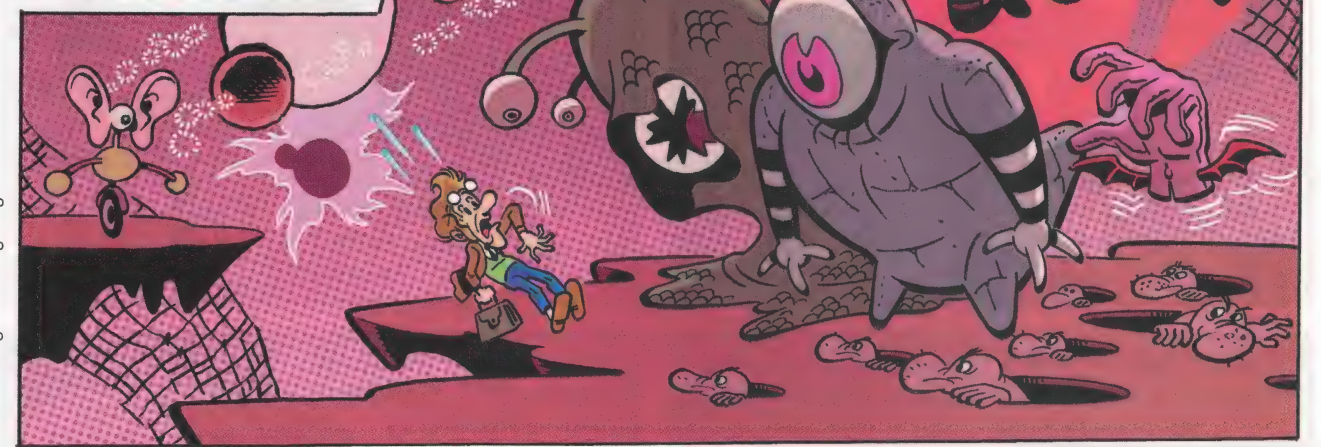
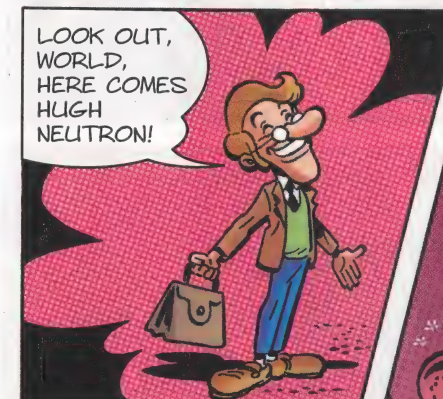
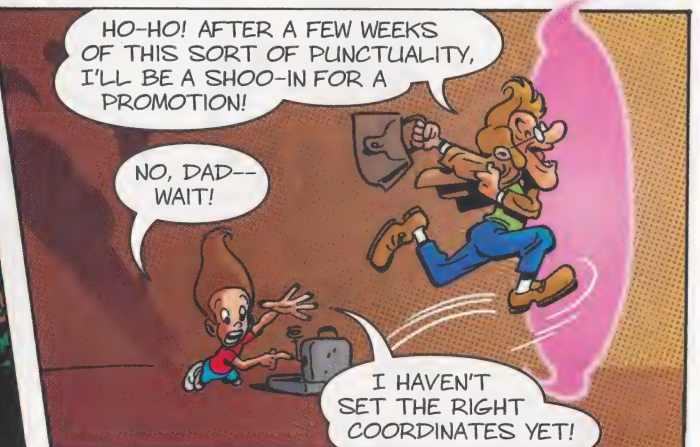
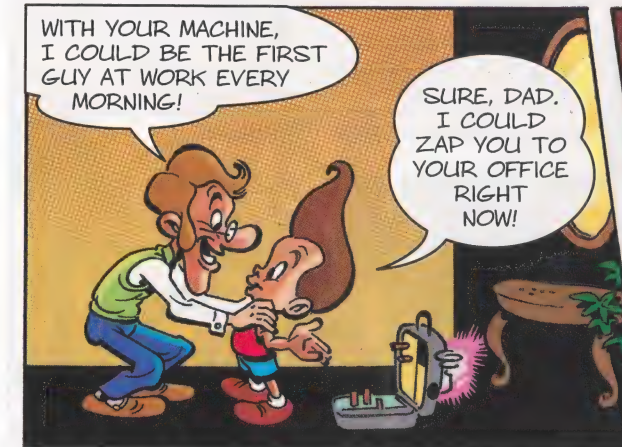
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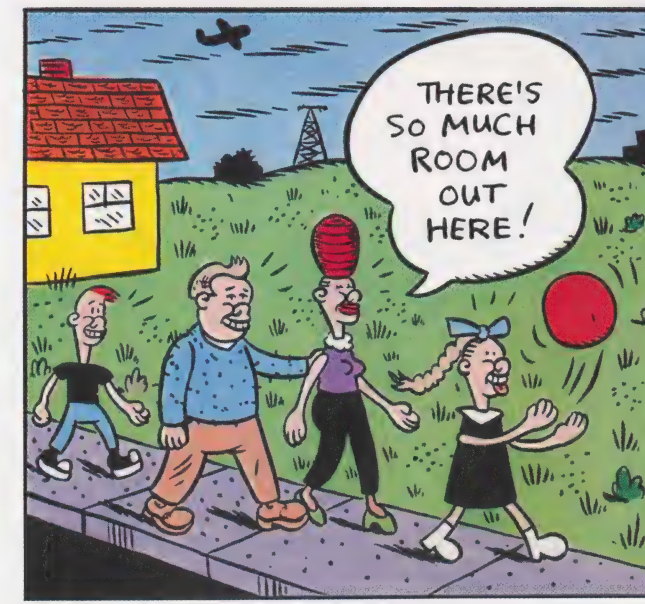
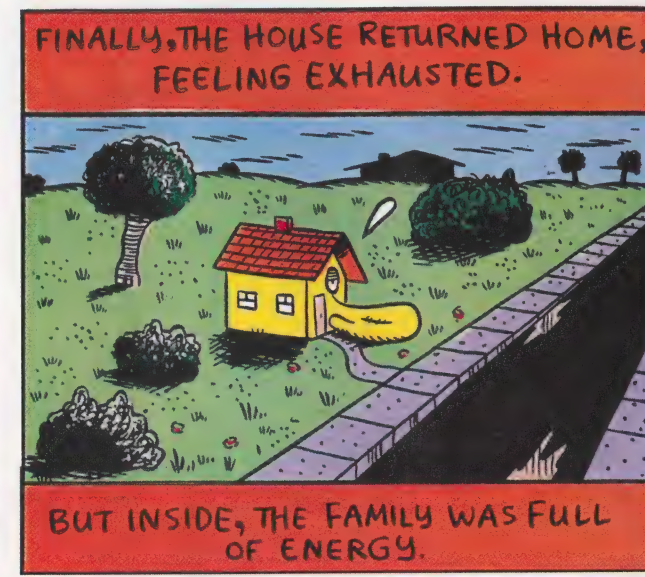
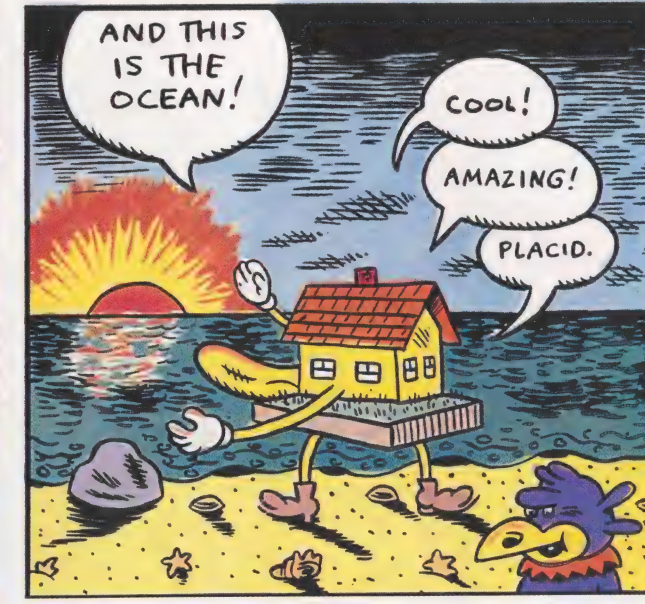
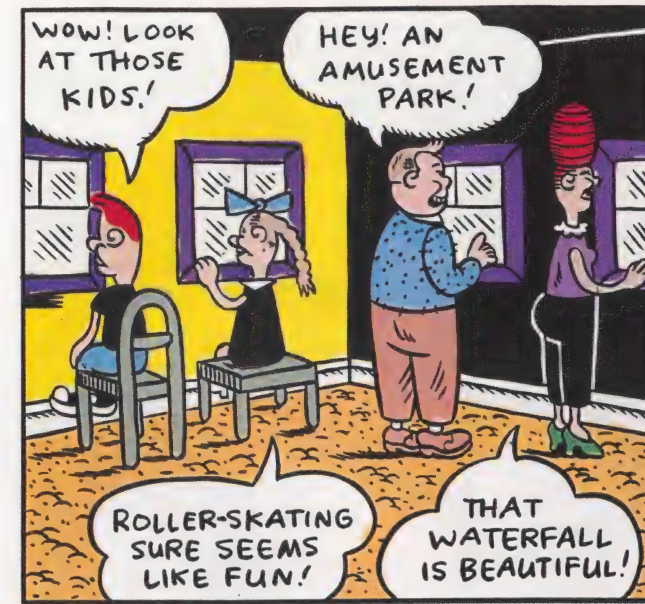
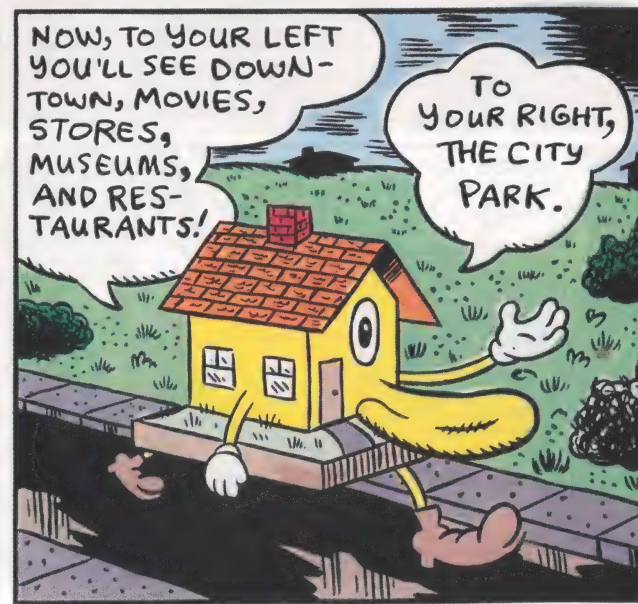
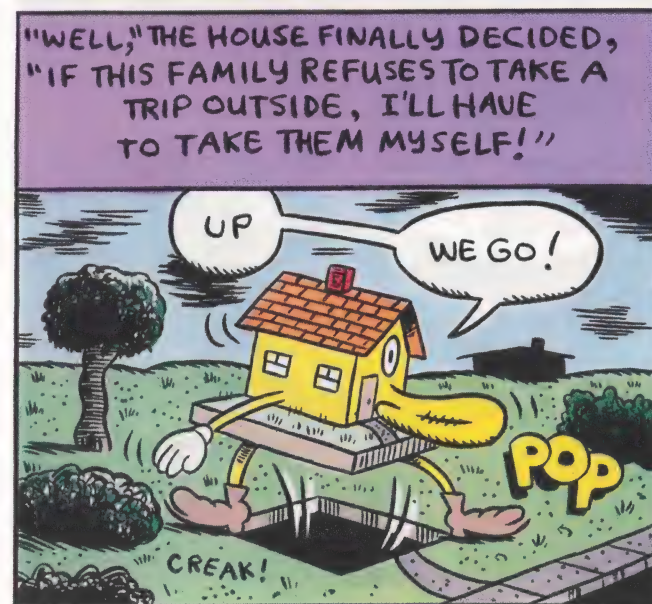
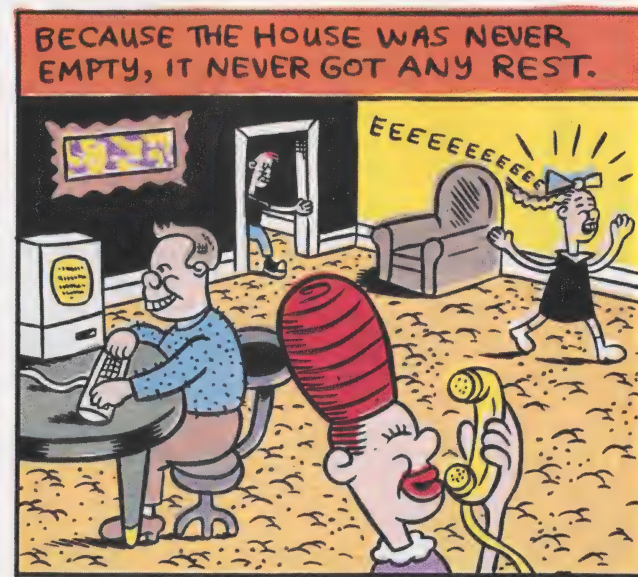
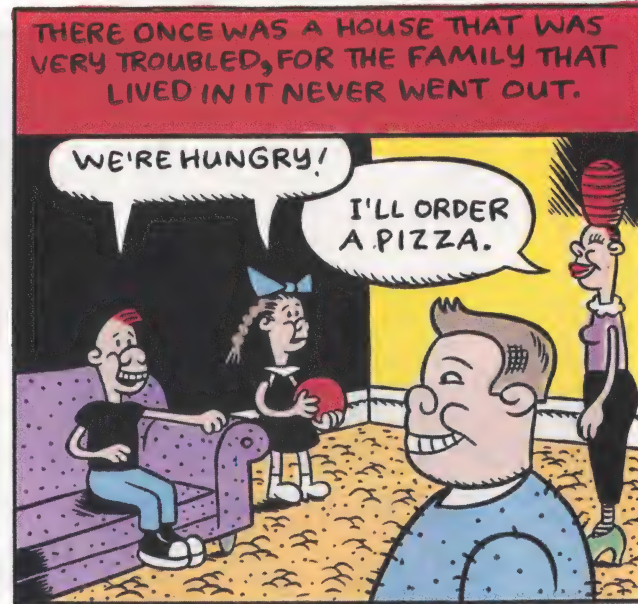
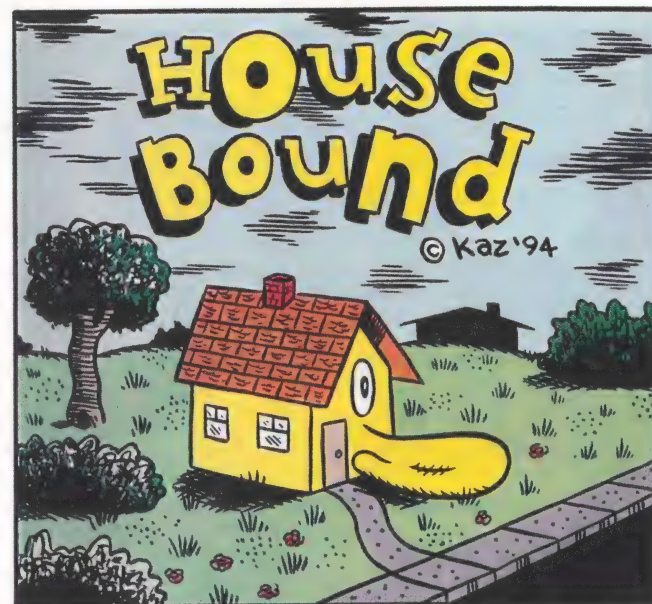
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Happy Nick Year!

The stars of Nick told us their 2009 New Year's resolutions.

"I resolve to..."

...stop cracking my knuckles. This was last year's resolution, too, but I never accomplished it!"
Ashley Argota of *True Jackson, VP*

...write two songs a month and practice my guitar for ninety minutes a day, six days a week."
Jennette McCurdy of *iCarly*

...walk my dog, ET, more."
Alex Wolff of *The Naked Brothers Band*

...become more active and eat better. It's healthier, plus girls love that!"
Matt Shively of *True Jackson, VP*

...be part of projects that stress recycling, reducing energy usage, humane treatment for animals, and using more environmentally friendly products. Even turning the lights off—it's the little things that count!"
Miranda Cosgrove of *iCarly*

...drink more water and stop biting my nails!"
Keke Palmer of *True Jackson, VP*

...cut down on sweets and make healthier choices. I'd also like to get more organized and try to manage my time better."
Victoria Justice of *Spectacular!*

...get my driver's license!"
Nathan Kress of *iCarly*

...lower my carbon footprint."
Nat Wolff of *The Naked Brothers Band*

Lower my carbon footprint.

Real

A Woof Over Their Heads

In Nick's newest movie, *Hotel for Dogs*, two kids turn an abandoned hotel into a haven for stray dogs. The movie stars **Emma Roberts**, who plays Andi, and **Jake T. Austin**, who plays her younger brother, Bruce.

Two dogs played the role of Friday: Cosmo and JR. "They were smelly, but they were cute," said Emma.

Five Questions for Emma Roberts

NICKELODEON MAGAZINE:

Are you a dog person or a cat person?

EMMA ROBERTS:

I'm a both person! We have a cat named Stranger. He just showed up at our door one day, so we took him in. And my sister and I recently got a dog—a long-haired Chihuahua named Twiggy.



Jake T. Austin (above, right) and Emma both got along well with the dogs in the movie. Emma told us, "Shep, the border collie [above, far right], was the most well-behaved, cutest dog ever! We hit it off."

How did you get to know all the dogs in the movie?

We practiced holding them and giving them treats. We rehearsed beforehand so the dogs wouldn't be scared of us, and so they would follow and listen to us.

In the movie, there were lots of cool gadgets for taking care of the dogs. Which was your favorite?

I liked the train that pulled all the food to feed the dogs. That was pretty genius.

Were there any mishaps on the set?

One time, two dogs started barking at each other. I got all tangled up [in their leashes], and they ran off.

Did your role as a big sister in the movie influence how you are as a big sister in real life?

I try not to pick on my sister as much [as I used to]. But I love to pick on her just because she picks on me!

Hotel for Dogs is in theaters this January. Check www.hotelfordogsmovie.com to watch the trailer and for more info.



Jake told us that his favorite invention from the movie is the car simulator for the dogs. "I thought that was brilliant and really funny."

Pointers for Your Pooch

Mark Forbes, the animal coordinator for *Hotel for Dogs*, worked with about 20 trainers to make sure the pooches in the movie gave the best possible performances. He told us about a few techniques you can try with your own dog.*

Repetition: "It's more important to do [lots of] shorter sessions than to do one really long session."

Consistency: "If the dog isn't allowed on the couch, then the dog isn't allowed on the couch. You can't say, 'He's kind of cute. I can let him on the couch this one time.' You have to be consistent!"

Fun: "Make [the training] fun for the animal. If he's not having fun, he's not going to do it."

Treats: "If you want to train your dog to sit, put a little treat in front of his mouth and lift [the treat above his head]."



*Get a parent's permission when trying to train your dog, and be sure to have an adult present.

What's New on Nick

Spectacular!

Monday, February 16

Tune in for the premiere of Nick's newest TV movie, *Spectacular!* Before then, go to nick.com/spectacular to watch the trailer and listen to two songs from the movie. You can also visit nick.com on your cell phone to download *Spectacular!* mobile wallpaper. Standard text and data charges apply, so make sure to get a parent's permission first.

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Courtney (played by Tammin Sursok) and Nikko (played by Nolan Gerard Funk) take the stage in *Spectacular!* Go to nick.com/donttelleme to download your own copy of the single "Don't Tell Me" from the movie.*

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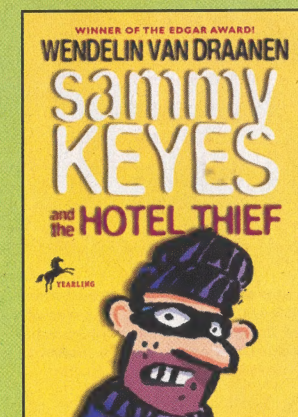
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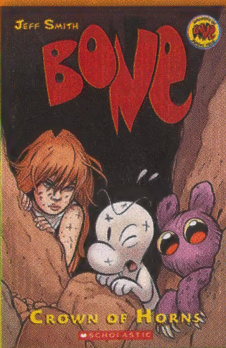
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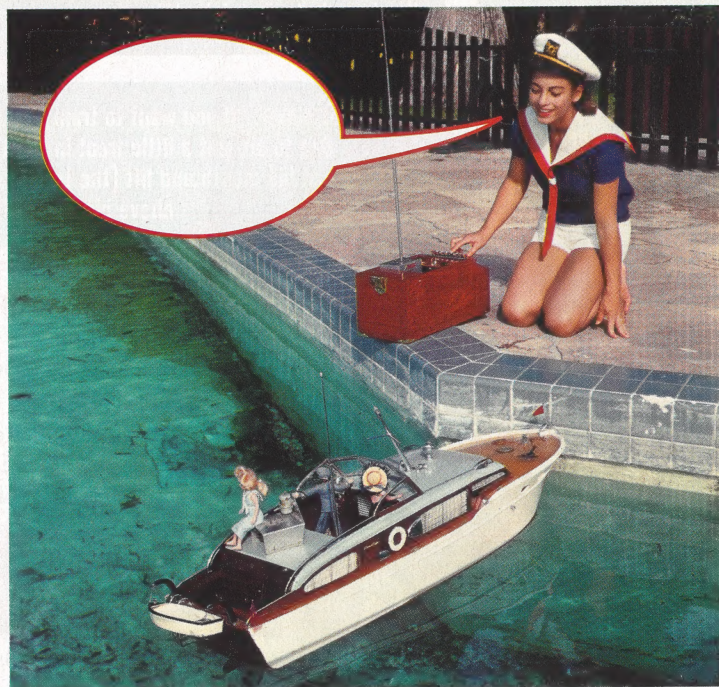
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Say What? Winners

from the August 2008 issue



Girl: Pool speed ahead!

Kayla R., age 11
Knoxville, Tennessee

Girl: Weren't there four of you?

Chris K., age 11
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Girl: I think we're gonna need a bigger boat!*

Megan M., age 11
Cresco, Iowa

Girl: I hope this one floats better than the *Titanic* model!*

Riley N., age 11
Reno, Nevada

Girl: Ha! This *shrinkray* really works!

Hannah N., age 12
Simi Valley, California

Girl: Honey, I shrunk the boat!*

Davis L., age 11
Powder Springs, Georgia

Girl: Wow! It looked a lot bigger in the catalog!*

Kylie T., age 12
Hartsville, South Carolina

Girl: Are you ready to play Battleship?

Daniel M., age 13
Coram, New York

*We received a number of entries like this one.

Thanks for all your entries.
They rocked our boat.

And they never left us overboard.



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Answers

Because you deserve to know.



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How do you work out when there's no snow?

When I'm not chasing the snow, I always keep active by hiking, mountain biking, practicing yoga, and surfing. I also work out in the gym in the off-season. It's great for injury prevention and building confidence.

In high school, you were in a group committed to saying "no" to alcohol. Did that choice help get you where you are today?

It's not easy standing out from the crowd, but doing something different than my friends helped me to make other hard decisions. It seems in life that when you take the biggest risks, you get the biggest rewards.

Do you get stressed-out or scared before competing? If so, how do you get past it?

No matter if it's a local competition or the X Games, I always get nervous. What works best for me is...

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